

COUNTY NEWS.

GRANVILLE FERRY. S. W. W. Pickup, M. P., left for Ottawa on Saturday. Mr. Alton D. Irvine and bride arrived from Calgary on Thursday. Mr. Irvine is a son of H. M. Irvine and is engaged in the real estate business at Calgary, Alberta. Mrs. Irvine, whose maiden name was Robertson, hailed from New Brunswick. The Misses Pickup and Miss Weatherston return to Ladies' College, Saskatoon, this week. Mr. Stuart Troop goes to Wellfleet today to resume his studies at Acadia College. Mrs. and Miss Hackinlay have returned from Sandy Cove, where they have been visiting Rev. John Hackinlay. Rev. Henry How, of Annapolis, preached in Holy Trinity Church on Friday morning. Messrs. Chas. and Daniel Parker have been busy during the past week distributing sleeping along the line of the A. & V. T. railway. Mrs. Fulton, of Halifax, is the guest of her father, Samuel C. Shaffer. Mr. Otto Casselman, principal of the public schools, spent a few days in the Ferry last week.

SPRINGFIELD.

Mrs. Fred Hamish and baby, of LeQuin, are spending the winter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Grimm. At the time of writing we are sorry to report Mrs. Charles Davis in a very critical condition. Miss Percy Mathison and sister, Miss Hattie, entertained a number of their young friends on the evening of the 9th. Mr. Fernando Grimm is taking a business course at the Maritime Business College, Halifax. Owing to the severe hail storm of last Tuesday, the H. & S. W. train spent the day at Springfield. About one hundred of the hungry passengers were entertained at the Lakeside House. Mr. and Mrs. Seth Prince, of Lunenburg, are visiting at the home of Mr. John Prince. The Misses Ramey and Porter returned on Saturday to take charge of their schools. Mr. E. S. Freeman intends starting a singing school in this place on the evening of the 10th. Councilor J. C. Grimm is attending Council at Annapolis.

LAWRENCE TOWN.

The concert last Thursday evening in aid of the Baptist Church was a success in fact, it was one of the best entertainments put on here for a long time. Mrs. S. C. Hall has returned from Halifax accompanied by her sister, Miss Vance. Our schools opened on Monday with a good attendance. Our sick remain about the same. Fifty of our townsmen and wives had a supper at the Elm House on the evening of the 3rd. This is the fourth annual supper, and it was the best of them all. The supper, as served by Miss Parker and Mrs. Parker was all that could be desired, and with speeches, songs and music, the evening was one long to be remembered, and the same will be looked for longingly next year. The students have returned to their respective places of study. On the 3rd the Lawn Tennis Club had a single-drive tennis match, and the guests at the home of the genial Col. Spry.

SOUTH WILLIAMSTON.

The sociable held in the hall here a few evenings ago proved a success. Eighteen dollars was realized for church purposes. Miss Annie Bishop is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Wild, at Bangor. Rev. J. H. Balcom and family, of Clementville, have been visiting at the home of Mr. Phineas Charlton the past week. Miss Lulu Phinney, of Bear River, and Mrs. R. J. Shaffer, of Lawrence-town, were the guests of Mrs. W. J. Shaffer on Sunday. Councillor T. C. Bishop is at Annapolis attending the annual session of the Municipal Council. Mr. William FitzKandolph recently sold between three and four thousand dollars worth of fox and mink skins to a representative of a New York firm. Our former teacher, Miss Estella Brown, was the guest of Mrs. Byron Morse on Saturday. Mayor Fred Bishop went to Bear River on Monday for a short visit.

BELLEISLE.

Miss Josie B. Parker was "at home" on a number of young friends on Monday evening last. Miss Mabel Neilson has returned to her home in Greenwood after a short visit at the home of her uncle, A. P. Neilly, Esq. Mr. R. J. Willett, of St. John, N. E., was home spending New Year's with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burnett Willett. Professor W. E. Havenstock and Miss Mabel Fash were visiting her friend, Miss Josie Parker, on Tuesday last. On Tuesday last, while driving into Bridgetown, Mr. Charles Parker and sister, of Belleisle, met with a serious accident. Miss Jennie Troop gave a tea party to her friends on New Year's Eve. Miss Mabel Troop is visiting at the home of Mr. Edgar Fellows, Bridgetown. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Goodwin are receiving congratulations a boy.

SMITH'S COVE.

Misses Maud and Ethel Porter, who have been spending two weeks at home, returned on Saturday to resume their school teaching. Mr. Dickson returned to Port Williams on Saturday last. Miss Josie Marshall returned from Paradise on Saturday, after an absence of two weeks. We are sorry to learn of the death of Mr. Lloyd McGregor, who died of consumption in Lynn, Mass., on Friday, Jan. 6th. The remains arrived on Wednesday, Jan. 11th. The services were held in the home of Mrs. Cassett. Miss Alva Mallin returned from Bear River on Saturday, Jan. 7th. Owing to the severe storms of the week, both the Yarmouth and Halifax trains have been delayed for hours, arriving at the station one morning at 12:45, and one evening at 10. Misses Mame and Jennie Hasleton have returned from Yarmouth, where they have been visiting their brother, Mr. Walter Hasleton.

ALBANY.

Our teacher, Mrs. Stank, left spent her vacation at her home in Port George, and is expected back today to resume her duties in the school-room. Rev. M. B. and Mrs. Whitman, from Digby Neck, spent the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Denton, of Chester Basin, and New Year's play with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Whitman. Mr. Ingram Oakes, barister, from Halifax, and Miss Helen Thomson, from Truro, and Mr. Stephen Wade, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harriet Oakes on Sunday, Jan. 8th. Three of our neighbors have been quite ill with influenza—Mr. Phineas Whitman, Mrs. Jonathan Woodbury and Mrs. Wallace Proutis; all are now convalescent. Miss Anna Saunders, from East Dalhousie, spent a few days last week with her son, Mr. Albert Oakes.

ROYAL HOUSEHOLD FLOUR. EQUALLY GOOD BREAD & PASTRY. A Former Rector of St. James Church From.

From a pamphlet containing the annual address of the Bishop of Sacramento, the adjacent extract will be read with interest by many readers of the Monitor who cherish a friendly and affectionate interest in Rev. L. M. and Mrs. Wilkins. Mr. Wilkins, now rector of St. James about fifteen years ago, and it was through his efforts that the present church building came into existence. The Bishop in his address states: "Our finest and most substantial church erected in this district for many years has been built at Chico, under the inspiration and patience of Rev. L. M. Wilkins, without whose untiring energy and vision it could not have been accomplished. The building cost \$8,000 or \$7,000, and there is a debt of \$2,500 or more. The value of a small investment of missionary money in a growing town is well illustrated here. A stipend of never more than \$25 per month has been paid the missionary for some years. Land was bought on the central plaza in 1858 for \$750, which would sell for \$7,000. We have refused tempting offers to sell, because we want the heart of the town for our church, which now stands on its finest corner. Mr. Wilkins deserves our hearty praise for the energy, wisdom and perseverance whereby he has enabled his people, especially his noble band of Christian women, to see this fulfillment of their hopes. And all honor to priest and people, that in the face of extraordinary local efforts and unusual obstacles not one dollar of missionary aid, or subsidy or appropriation was defaulted. That is the spirit that makes a people strong."

OBITUARY.

MRS. D. W. MERSEBAU. At Bridgetown, N. S., on the 6th of January, 1905, Adaline Amelia Smith, daughter of the late William Ellis and Mary Phillips Smith, and beloved wife of Daniel Wood Mersebau. She leaves a sorrowing husband and four daughters, Mrs. Gilbert Hayward, of Fredericton, N. B.; Mrs. A. E. Hart, of St. John; Mrs. J. W. P. Pater, of this town; and Miss Dora at home; two grand-children and one sister, Mrs. Sarah A. Hoyt, of Blisville, N. B. She contracted that terrible disease, pneumonia, and her loved ones had every hope of her recovery, but just when they thought the crisis had passed, she suddenly fell ill. Being of a retired disposition, her noble Christian character and sterling worth can only be appreciated by those who knew her best. To the husband a devoted and loving companion, to the children the kindest of mothers, the light, life and guide of the home, and to the community ever willing to help in a helping hand to those in need. Though only living here for a short time, she made many friends whom she dearly loved. The funeral services were held at her late residence on Sunday, the 8th inst., conducted by the Rev. E. E. Daley, assisted by Rev. Dr. Jost. Interment in Bridgetown Cemetery.

Bridgetown Wins from Middleton.

The Bridgetown basket ball players "got back at Middleton" last Friday night for the defeat received at Middleton on New Year's. There was a large and enthusiastic audience present. The first game was played between the Middleton and Bridgetown Juniors. This game was fast and closely contested throughout. In the first half the Middleton boys had the best of the play and led in the score by 7-4. In the second half the Bridgetown boys took a brace and won out, the score being 16-8. The second game was the one that there was considerable anxiety about. The team that went to Middleton New Year's had been badly beaten, but Friday night some of the old players were back in the game and they put up a strong game, defeating the Middleton boys by a score of 16-4. The Middleton boys, however, played a strong, determined game to the very close. An effort is being made to organize a county league. It is expected that a number of outside teams will play here during the season.

Estimated Products of N. S. for 1904.

Table with 2 columns: Product Name and Value. Includes Coal, Iron Ore, Iron, Steel, Shipyards, etc.

PARADISE.

The Agricultural Society will meet on Thursday evening, 12th inst. A full attendance of members is requested, and delegates will be appointed to the Farmers' Association. Owing to the storm, Dr. Hall did not deliver his lecture before the Literary Society on the 3rd. Miss Lillian Ringle has returned to Acadia Seminary, and Mr. T. D. Ruggles to the U. N. B. Mr. A. D. Darling has returned to his school at Weymouth. Mr. Darling was presented with a handsome volume of Tennyson by his pupils at Xmas. Acknowledgment. Mr. D. W. Mersebau and family wish in this way to express their sincere thanks to all the kind friends who, in so many ways, helped them during the illness of Mrs. Mersebau, and expressed their sympathy to them in their deep sorrow.

Port Arthur Trophies.

The Japanese Commander Has Taken an Army of 32,207, Which Includes Eight Generals and Four Admirals. Besides There Are 15,000 or 16,000 Wounded in Hospitals.

Tokio, Jan. 5.—A report received today from General Nogi's headquarters largely increased the numbers of the surrendered garrison, and intimates that the force handed over to the Japanese at Port Arthur will be 32,200, exclusive of 15,000 or 16,000 sick or wounded, making a rough total of 48,000. The report is as follows:—"As previously reported, the transfer of the objects mentioned in article 2 of the capitulation compact took place on January 4, and the transfer of the force and batteries has been completed. The prisoners to be assembled at the place appointed on January 5, but investigation relating to these prisoners is so complicated that the result cannot be reported at present. Reports received up to date are as follows:—"Eight generals, four admirals, fifty-seven colonels and majors, one hundred captains and commanders, 200 naval lieutenant officials, 200 army lieutenants and lieutenants, 200 of the rank and file of the navy, 4,700 Army non-combatants, 20,000 non-combatants, 700. Total, 32,207. Besides there were 15,000 or 16,000 sick and wounded in the hospitals. The volunteers are chiefly included in the list of the surrendered. One hundred saddle horses and 1,570 draft horses were surrendered.

GEN. STOSSEL TO BE COURT-MARTIALED.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5.—Few incidents of the whole war have aroused more bitter criticisms than the announcement, officially issued by the general staff, that General Stossel will have to come home and stand court-martial for surrendering the fortress of Port Arthur. While this is an ancient regulation and quite according to law, it is bitter to all on all sides that such an announcement should have been made in the same bulletin containing General Stossel's appeal to the emperor for "lenient judgment" on his resignation reduced to shadow, who have done all that was possible for human beings to do to uphold the honor of Russia in the face of her enemies. The Soviet Vremya, despite the honor of the Russ yesterday, says: "It means that we have court-martialed a hero, if possible, severe. The judge will, perhaps, deal leniently with him, but he will have given his blood and lives for their country. Perhaps, also, the court will determine a forfeiture known to be threatened with bloodshed, is not supplied with necessary food and munitions to enable it to hold out. Perhaps such a court will bring to light many dark and hidden things and expose the creeping, underground agencies of Russia, who are in the hands of the enemy. Being of a retired disposition, her noble Christian character and sterling worth can only be appreciated by those who knew her best. To the husband a devoted and loving companion, to the children the kindest of mothers, the light, life and guide of the home, and to the community ever willing to help in a helping hand to those in need. Though only living here for a short time, she made many friends whom she dearly loved. The funeral services were held at her late residence on Sunday, the 8th inst., conducted by the Rev. E. E. Daley, assisted by Rev. Dr. Jost. Interment in Bridgetown Cemetery.

JAPS DETERMINED TO KEEP PORT ARTHUR.

Tokio, Jan. 4.—The Japs, discussing the character of Port Arthur reviews the price paid in lives and treasure to keep Port Arthur as long as our empire exists. Port Arthur is the key to the Far East, and the Japs are determined to keep the key in their hands. Almost Electrocuted by Electric Lamp. A few days ago Despatcher Phillip, of the Sydney and Glace Bay Railway Co., was standing in the street with his foot resting on the radiator. He happened to grasp the incandescent light suspended over his head, when he received a shock that threw him violently to the floor, rendering him unconscious. He was lying there for some moments before a man who was in the office at the time succeeded in wrenching the lamp, which he held firmly out of his hand. The transformer that day was out of order, and it is estimated that Mr. Phillip got the benefit of some 2300 volts. He was considerably shaken up for a time, but now is none the worse for his experience.

Ottawa Snowbound.

Ottawa, Jan. 7.—Ottawa is snow-bound. For the first time since the inauguration of the street railway service, fourteen years ago, the service had to be suspended. The cars had to have the track and the main line which will be open at noon. There was a snowfall of thirteen and a half inches. The suburban service is not held, but is to be open before Monday. The train which left Toronto last night has not yet reached Smith's Falls. On all the roads reaching the capital the service is paralyzed. It was the largest snow storm that has visited Ottawa for many years. It is prevalent all over Eastern Ontario.

An Enormous Ash-Heap.

From statistics it appears that more than \$20,000,000 worth of property in the United States was destroyed by fire in 1904, making the largest annual ash heap in the history of the country. While the Baltimore fire, which occurred in 1871, was the most serious result in the swollen condition of the Schuylkill river, which is seven feet above normal at Manayunk, a suburb. Many miles are closed as a result of the flood and 4,000 hands are idle. A well known Halifax physician recently admitted that he had tried Amor's Essence of Cod Liver Oil in his practice and found it to give excellent results. The great point in its favor is that it possesses the virtues of raw cod liver oil, but still has no bad taste. The weakest stomach can take Amor's Essence and never feel even a suspicion of nausea.

PHILADELPHIA FLOODS.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 7.—The effects of last night's heavy rainfall, which was driven by a 36 mile gale, are in evidence today in all sections of the city and its environs. The most serious result is the swollen condition of the Schuylkill river, which is seven feet above normal at Manayunk, a suburb. Many miles are closed as a result of the flood and 4,000 hands are idle. A well known Halifax physician recently admitted that he had tried Amor's Essence of Cod Liver Oil in his practice and found it to give excellent results. The great point in its favor is that it possesses the virtues of raw cod liver oil, but still has no bad taste. The weakest stomach can take Amor's Essence and never feel even a suspicion of nausea.

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My Balance of Winter Hats Trimmed and Untrimmed MARKED-DOWN. ANNIE CHUTE CROSS-CUT SAWS, Aeme Skates. I have received and offer for sale at a low price, Disston's Saws, and the Boston Cross Cut Saws, also Acme and Long Reach Skates. R. SHIPLEY. E. A. COCHRAN, MURDOCH'S BUILDING.

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